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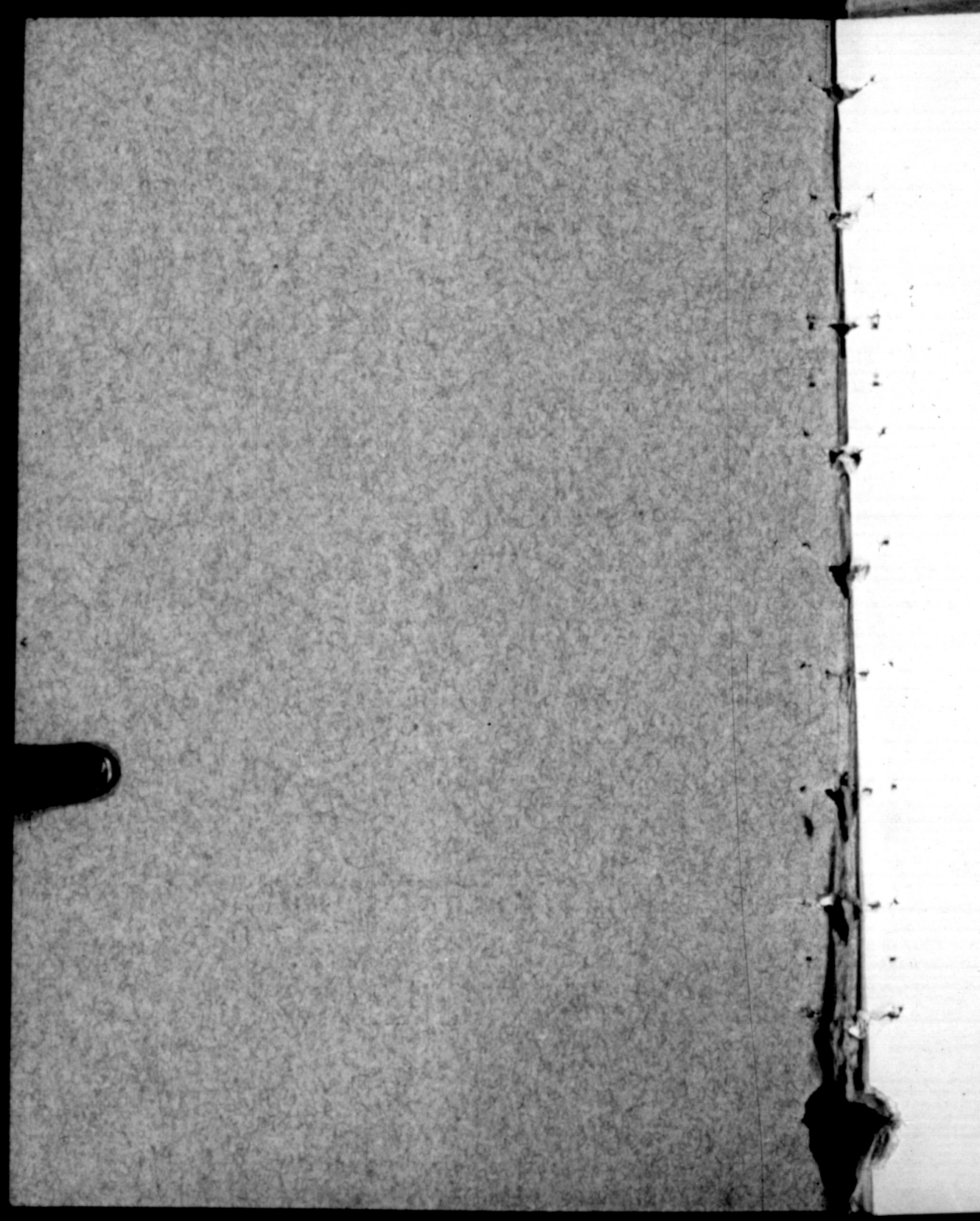


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Next Session

Place—Ashland, 12 miles north of Hickory Flat, on the Frisco Railroad.  
Time—Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1916.  
Preacher—Eld. G. S. Jenkins.  
Alternate—Eld. A. L. Spencer.

## Officers

Eld. W. E. Berry, Blue Mountain, Miss..... Moderator  
J. W. Crump, Blue Mountain, Miss..... Clerk  
A. A. Graham, Blue Mountain, Miss..... Treasurer

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## Executive Board

Eld. J. A. Autry, Chairman  
J. A. Griffin  
J. W. Crump  
A. H. McAlister

Eld. W. E. Berry  
Eld. W. T. Lowrey  
George Deen  
A. A. Graham

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## Order of Business

- (1) Call for Petitionary Letters.
- (2) Invite visiting brethren to seats.
- (3) Appoint committees.
- (4) Read Constitution, Abstract of Faith and Rules of Decorum.
- (5) Select place for next meeting of this body, and preacher to preach Introductory Sermon.
- (6) Appoint correspondents.
- (7) Call for reports.
- (8) Elect Executive Board.
- (9) Miscellaneous business.
- (10) Call roll of delegates and mark absentees.



# Proceedings

The Tippah Baptist Association met in its Fifty-third Annual Session with Mt. Olive church September 8, 1915. The Introductory Sermon was preached at 11 o'clock a. m. by Eld. W. B. May. Text, Luke 13:6-10; theme, "Fruitfulness." After which adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

## Evening Session, 1:30 p. m.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, called together by singing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." Prayer by Eld. W. G. Thompson.

Eld. H. L. Whitten, the former moderator, being absent, Eld. W. A. Whittle was asked to act as moderator pro tem. Eld. G. S. Jenkins and R. J. Gresham acted as reading clerks, when letters were read and delegates seated from the following churches: Academy, Ashland, Bluff Springs, Curtis Creek, Fellowship, Flat Rock, Hickory Flat, Lowrey Memorial, Macedonia, Mt. Moriah, Mt. Olive, New Hope, Pine Grove, Pleasant Hill (B), Pleasant Hill (T), Providence, Ripley, Shady Grove, Union, Union Hill.

Proceeded to permanent organization by electing officers. Moved and seconded that J. W. Crump be instructed to cast the vote of this body for Eld. W. E. Berry as moderator; and Eld. L. F. Carmichiel was instructed to cast the vote of the body for J. W. Crump as clerk, and A. A. Graham as treasurer.

The Order of Business as printed in the minutes of last year was adopted as the order for this session.

Called for petitionary letters Received none.

Invited visiting brethren to seats; recognized Eld. J. P. Harrington, enlistment secretary. Moved by Eld. W. E. Berry that we suspend the regular order of business to hear from Eld. J. P. Harrington on enlistment, who presented a report on this subject with a request that it be printed in the minutes.

## Report on Enlistment

"Enlistment" and "co-operation" are becoming two of the most important words in the language of the kingdom. The work of enlistment is the arousing of our Baptist people into a full realization of their great opportunity. The department of enlistment and co-operation is just what its name indicates; enlistment is its purpose and co-operation its method. The department is not an agency, but a missionary force. The field workers are not agents, but missionaries. Their message places specific accent on that part of the great commission which says, "Teaching them to observe (to do) all things." They are trying to bring efficiency in all the work of the kingdom, through the local church.

Is the work of enlistment really needed? Let the following facts answer the question. Our pastors are too poorly paid. Paul says, "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel shall live of the gospel." Yet, in the face of this positive teaching of the word of God, are preachers so poorly paid that they are not only handicapped in their work, but many of them have to engage in other work to support their families, instead of "giving themselves wholly to their work." Our country church problem shows the following sad condition: 18,000 have services once a month; of this number 16,200 have no resident pastors. The department of enlistment, to meet this crying need, is conducting 44 mission schools, and have 96 teachers and 6,000 students. We have 21 enlistment missionaries. These workers have developed 143 pastoral fields; put on 151 every-member canvassers; increased pastors' salaries \$65,000, and raised for buildings, \$47,000.

We would recommend (1) that the pastors and churches do all they can to get the churches grouped; (2) that pastors be located on each field as rapidly as possible; (3) that a pastor's home be built on each field; (4) that all the country churches adopt the produce plan to supplement their finances; (5) that every-member canvass be made in each church annually for home expenses and missions; (6) that all of our churches use the convention duplex envelopes.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Enlistment—Eld. W. G. Thompson, J. H. Davis, J. R. Thompson.  
Orphanage—J. F. Ray, Mack Garrison, C. E. Cossitt.  
Obituaries—P. C. Gadd, J. D. Dickerson, Willis Pearce.  
Ministerial Relief—Eld. L. F. Carmichael, I. L. Cox, J. P. Brown.  
Encampment—Eld. W. A. Whittle, T. A. Clark, W. S. Pulliam.  
Woman's Work—Eld. G. S. Jenkins, S. J. Little, Jno. Drewry.  
Sanitarium—W. A. Simpson, W. W. Hudspeth, A. L. Collins.  
Laymen's Movement—Eld. J. T. Cox, Geo. Deen, Sanford Smith.  
Education—H. D. Hollis, R. W. Baughman, R. W. Jordan.  
Temperance—Eld. W. G. Thompson, J. W. Melton, W. B. Hopper.  
Home Missions—Eld. W. B. May, W. W. Anderson, J. H. Gadd.  
State Missions—Eld. W. A. Whittle, J. W. Medlin, T. J. Lence.  
Foreign Missions—Eld. G. S. Jenkins, W. W. McElroy, Luster Shankles.  
Publications—Eld. W. B. May, W. W. Lankston, Alfred Crawford.  
Sunday Schools—R. J. Gresham, G. O. Stanford, L. M. Henry.  
Finance—J. M. Nance, J. H. Needham, Robt. Lowrey.  
Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

## Second Day, Sept. 9th—Morning Session, 9 a. m.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. The moderator read second chapter Psalms. Prayer, led by Eld. W. A. Whittle. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Letters were then read and delegates seated from Harmony and New Prospect.

Called for and heard the reading of Constitution, Abstract of Faith, and Rules of Decorum.

Selected place for next meeting of this body, and preacher to preach the sermon, resulting in selecting Ashland the place, and Eld. G. S. Jenkins the preacher, with Eld. A. L. Spencer alternate. Changed time of meeting of this body to Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September. Appointed delegates to corresponding bodies by adopting the following resolution: Resolved, that any member of this body in good standing, who shall be present with any other body with which we correspond, shall be recognized as a messenger from this body. Eld. J. A. Autry was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and Eld. W. E. Berry alternate. Letters were read and delegates seated from Beulah and Lebanon.

Recognized Miss M. M. Lackey, corresponding secretary of the W. M. U.

## Called for Reports

The report on the Orphanage was read by J. F. Ray; spoken to by him, Eld. W. E. Berry. Pending this discussion, took up a collection for this purpose, amounting to \$7.90, after which this report was adopted.

## Report on Orphanage

The Baptist Orphanage is located at Jackson, Miss., and is under the management of Dr. J. R. Carter. The object of this home is to provide food, clothing and shelter for children who have neither father, mother nor relatives to care for

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them. Since its establishment, hundreds of helpless children have been cared for. Many of them have grown up in the home and have gone out into the world to take their places in society. We have now in the home 280. These children are dependent on the free-will offerings of the people all over the state for a support, and if the people do not make regular contributions to the work, money has to be borrowed for them, and this money has to be replaced, with interest. Your committee recommends that regular contributions be made for this purpose from all our churches, and that one Sunday's collections in each month be used for this purpose from all our Sunday schools.

Respectfully submitted,

J. FINCH RAY, Chairman.

The report on State Missions was read by Eld. W. A. Whittle; the report on Home Missions was read by Eld. W. B. May, and that on Foreign Missions by Eld. G. S. Jenkins. Suspended consideration of these reports to hear read the report on Woman's Work by Eld. G. S. Jenkins. This report was spoken to by Miss M. M. Lackey, Eld. W. A. Whittle, and adopted.

### Report on Woman's Work

There is only one person in the whole history of human endeavor of whom it can be said that the limit of human power has been reached in the effort to serve the Master. That servant was a woman. Our Lord said, "She hath done what she could." Perhaps this ought not to be said of all of our good women, but we ought to be profoundly thankful for the work our good women have done.

Almost a generation has passed since the organization of this most helpful agency, and their work has gone forward with uninterrupted success. They have taught the value of organization; they have shown as our men have not done, the value of combined effort; they have shown, also, the power of small gifts. The W. M. U. does not only help in raising a great deal of the money for our work, but these women are a great help in the spiritual life of Southern womanhood. They are directing not only the missionary efforts of their own members, but in a most powerful way are influencing the religious education and activities of our young women, men and boys. Our pastors and laymen ought to do what they can to help these good women organize and do their work as the Lord wants them to do.

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. JENKINS, Chairman.

The three reports on missions were then spoken to by Elds. W. A. Whittle, G. S. Jenkins and W. B. May. Pending this discussion, adjourned for refreshments to 1:30 p. m.

### Evening Session, 1:30 p. m.

The Association was called together by singing, "Let Me Walk With Thee." Prayer, led by P. C. Gadd. A letter was read and delegates seated from Dumas. Resumed discussion of the reports on missions by Elds. W. G. Thompson, W. E. Berry, and adopted.

### Report on Home Missions

Baptists in the South loved liberty of conscience so much that they suffered in Virginia repeated imprisonments for it and a contemptuous persecution by the State Church, which lasted through more than half a century. God honored this noble passion of our spiritual sires, and made it more influential than any other cause in bringing the blessings of religious liberty in America. The needs of our own day constitute a call to Southern Baptists to have a like passionate love for lost men and women and for the growth of the new life which is in Christ.

"As goes America, so will go the World," has become almost an axiom among Christian statesmen. Never did the truth of this saying press home more forcibly to the hearts of thoughtful men than it does today. Most of the other so-called Christian nations of earth are doing their utmost to destroy each other,

in the most colossal war which the world has ever seen. Never before was there so great a need that our concern for and support of Home Missions should be at concert pitch.

Christianizing America in our day is a task which has assumed almost tragic importance. It is an immense task. There are in America 50,000,000 persons of responsible age who make no profession of religious faith. In the South there are 18,000,000 such persons without religious faith.

Christianity has a better opportunity today to transform society in the South than elsewhere in America or in the world. Of every 100 evangelical Christians in the South thirty-nine or forty are Baptists. In this section the Baptists of the world have their supreme opportunity to win men and save society. Here is the best Baptist field for Home Missions and the opportunity to create the greatest Baptist base for World Missions.

We challenge Southern Baptists to rise to this opportunity. The Home Mission Board in Atlanta, Georgia, is the greatest central agency of the Southern Baptist Convention through which our people address themselves as a unit to the task of saving the South. This general agency at many points co-operates with and supplements the indispensable effort of the denomination in each state through State Missions. Our Home Board has the distinction of being by far the most successful Home Mission Board in America, when the number of souls won to Christ by its workers is taken as the standard of comparison. The Home Board reported 38,000 baptisms by its workers last year. The next largest number of baptisms reported by a home mission agency was 10,000 by the Home Mission Society of Northern Baptists. Of this large number of baptisms 17,000 were creditable to co-operating agencies, but 21,000 were creditable directly to Home Mission endeavor. The dollar given to Baptist Missions in the South reaches a larger harvest in souls than any other mission dollar spent in America.

Besides its great work in evangelistic missions, the Home Board is conducting a splendid activity in intensive missions, developing the Christ-life which was implanted at conversion. Both in its great system of mountain and other schools and in the enlistment work among undeveloped churches, the Board is doing a great service, looking to the enlargement and enlistment of our thousands of non-co-operating churches. The brethren of these churches have with us the sweet fellowship that is in a common faith in Christ, the Savior. May we become so enlarged in the spirit of love that we shall seek in loving helpfulness to bring them into that larger fellowship which we have in co-operative service to win the world to Christ.

The Home Board helps to maintain missionary pastors in co-operation with various state agencies; engages in work among the Negroes; is undertaking a great work for church extension; conducts foreigner mission schools and foreigner port and pastoral work; conducts a great system of mission schools for Highlanders; has instituted a most inspiring work of enlistment in co-operation with state agencies; has the most successful evangelistic department possessed by any domestic missionary agency in America; preaches the gospel to the Indians in Oklahoma; does a notably successful work in Cuba and Panama.

We earnestly commend to our churches the support of the great work of Home Missions. The intense appeal of secular interests and of pleasure in our modern industrial civilization, call for an increased effort to hold the faces and hearts of men toward the heavenly city. In all our churches we should carry the work of the Home Mission Board on our hearts in prayer to God and should give freely to the support of this great work.

1. We recommend that our churches be encouraged to make a larger use of the Home Mission tracts issued free by the Home Mission Board, and that study classes be formed in the Board's study class book, "Baptist Home Missions."

2. We urge that larger effort be made in the churches to get clubs of subscribers to The Home Field. It is a splendid magazine about the on-going of the kingdom of Christ in the South and the Baptist effort to support Home Missions. It is a distressing and lamentable situation that only one Baptist preacher in five gets this magazine, which is only 25c a year in clubs of five or more. Sample copies gladly sent to any Baptist who will write for them.



3. The Home Board furnishes for 50c a set of five large wall charts suitable for the church. If these charts were in the churches of the Association they would do a great deal to teach what Home Mission work is.

4. In order to make effective and definite the obligations of the individual churches to take their full share of Home Mission work, we recommend that this Association assume \$..... as its share of the state apportionment, and that the executive committee be authorized to apportion this amount fairly among the churches.

Address of Home Mission Board is 1004 Healey Building, Atlanta Georgia.  
Dr. B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary. Literature should be ordered from the publicity department.

Respectfully submitted.

W. B. MAY, Chairman.

### Report on State Missions

When asked if his reign as emperor had been a success, Augustus Caesar pointed to the city of Rome and proudly answered: "I found her in brick, I leave her in marble; judge for yourself whether my reign has been a success."

When at the judgment we are called upon to give an account of our stewardship, we should be able to reply: "We found Mississippi occupied by aliens and rebels; we faithfully lived the truth and boldly preached the truth; in the spirit of our leader we stormed every fort and captured every fortress of the enemy, and brought the entire population of the state into subjection to our divine Lord." We should be able to say: "We found Mississippi the abode of many errors, heresies and false doctrines, but by help divine we leave the state sacred soil, holy ground, with a flourishing Baptist church on every hilltop."

Resolved, that we here and now consecrate ourselves to this high and holy task, and that we pledge ourselves to co-operate in every way possible with the State Board of Missions to make Mississippi what it ought to be—a Baptist state.

W. A. WHITTLE, Chairman.

### Report on Foreign Missions

Our Lord said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." We thank our Heavenly Father that since we have been trying to obey his commands he has given us such great success. We thank the Lord that during the last conventional year, in spite of war and other troubles, the Lord has given us a good degree of success. The Foreign Mission Board is located at Richmond, Va. The work of this board is to evangelize the world beyond our borders. We have missionaries in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico and South America.

Some things we ought to do: (1) Teach our people what there is to do and that our God wants us to do this work. (2) Enlist the more than half of our church members that do not give at all to Foreign Missions. (3) To lead those who give to give more, and convince them that it will be best to give more. (4) Get our people to read the Foreign Mission Journal and tracts about the Foreign Mission work. All of our pastors ought to be interested and all our people ought to be informed about so great a work as giving the gospel to the lost of earth.

G. S. JENKINS, Chairman.

Recognized Rev. E. Baldwin as a messenger from Leflore Association, Leflore County, Oklahoma.

The report on the Encampment was read by Eld. W. A. Whittle, spoken to by him and adopted.

### Report on Encampment

Years ago the people of South Africa were suffering much from two serious complaints, namely: Poverty and sore feet. They were poor because they had no money and nothing to exchange for it; their feet were sore because they were walking over pebbles and sharp rocks. But the discovery was soon made that

the rocks and pebbles over which they were walking were diamonds and nuggets of gold. When this discovery was made the people were soon relieved of their poverty and sore feet.

I beg to suggest that in the Encampment held annually in Blue Mountain the people of the Tippah Association have gold fields and diamond mines whose value they have not yet discovered. We should co-operate to make this assembly what it ought to be, namely: The people's university, a great summer school, a place of information and inspiration.

W. A. WHITTLE, Chairman.

The report on Temperance was read by Eld. W. G. Thompson, discussed by him, R. J. Gresham, P. C. Gadd, and adopted.

### Report on Temperance

The question of Temperance is to be dealt with, as we see it, only as to the drink habit. We suppose the abstainers as a rule have been brought to see, from careful consideration, that even moderate drinking is ruinous to oneself, his children and associates. God hasten the day when all His children shall be led to see the question in this way. Total abstinence is gaining so that public sentiment will not allow of drinking in some communities. The young man that will drink is not considered a proper associate for the young people of such communities. This will restrain more than law enactment. Public sentiment is necessary to the enforcement of law.

It is a fact that Temperance legislation has made tolerable progress. The state legislature has made it necessary for no more than one gallon to be shipped to one man at one time, and then the buyer to sign for it in his own name at the express office, and record of each delivery must be filed with the circuit clerk for public inspection. This law will be greatly helpful to the cause if we would busy ourselves to know who is buying the whiskey. We find since it went into effect the shipment of liquor has been wonderfully cut off. One more great step needs to be taken, that is to prevent the shipment from a wet into a dry territory. This can only be done by constitutional amendment.

We recommend that our members stand for and advocate all legislation, both state and national, that will tend to help the cause of Temperance. We recommend that our churches make all reasonable effort by public rallies and lectures and example and daily teaching in the home and among associates, and avoid extreme statements and careless speech before the young on this subject.

W. G. THOMPSON, Chairman.

The report on Finance was read by J. M. Nance and adopted.

### Report on Finance

Academy .....	\$ 2 50	Mt. Olive .....	1 00
Ashland .....	1 20	Mt. Moriah .....	1 75
Bethlehem .....	60	New Hope .....	1 00
Benlah .....	1 50	New Prospect .....	1 00
Bluff Springs .....	50	Oakland .....	*
Canaan .....	1 00	Pine Grove .....	2 00
Curtis Creek .....	50	Pleasant Hill (B) .....	75
Dumas .....	*	Pleasant Hill (T) .....	60
Falkner .....	1 60	Providence .....	80
Fellowship .....	1 00	Ripley .....	3 00
Flat Rock .....	1 05	Shady Grove .....	1 50
Harm .....	50	Tiptersville .....	*
Hickory Flat .....	1 50	Union .....	1 50
Lebanon .....	50	Union Hill .....	70
Lowrey Memorial .....	10 00		
Macedonia .....	1 50	Total .....	\$40 85
Mt. Hebron .....	50	*Amount omitted.	

J. M. NANCE, Chairman.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by R. J. Gresham, discussed by him, P. C. Gadd, A. L. Collins, Eld. G. S. Jenkins, and adopted.

### Report on Sunday Schools

An examination of the letters from the various churches shows that only thirteen churches report Sunday schools, with a total enrollment of 1255. Church members reported as attending Sunday school, 700. Total membership of the churches reporting, about 3200.

It appears to the committee that some special effort should be made to establish schools in those churches which have none. It is a sad state of affairs that so many of our boys and girls are growing up without Sunday school advantages, and so many of our older people do not attend Sunday school. After careful consideration, your committee recommends that a field Sunday school secretary be appointed for at least part of his time.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. GRESHAM, Chairman.

The report on Obituaries was read by P. C. Gadd and adopted.

### Report on Obituaries

While a committee was appointed to prepare a report on this subject, the clerk was requested to add to this report the names of the dead from all the churches. As this list is incomplete because part of the churches failed to give names (only number) the clerk thinks best to report that in the 26 churches reporting, 33 of our beloved brethren and sisters have left us and gone to reap their reward.

P. C. GADD, Chairman.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by Eld. L. F. Carmichael, discussed by him, Eld. W. E. Berry, and adopted.

### Report on Ministerial Relief

We, your committee on Ministerial Relief, beg to make the following report: On examination, we find that there are nineteen beneficiaries—ten ministers and nine widows of ministers—and only \$16.00 to support them. We would insist that every church prayerfully consider this much-neglected duty.

Respectfully,

L. F. CARMICHAEL, Chairman.

The report on Sanitarium was read by Eld. W. B. May and adopted.

### Report on Sanitarium

It is a matter of congratulation that Christians of the Baptist and protestant world are coming into a realization of their obligation and duty touching the care and relief of the bodies of men. Christ said he was sent of the Father to preach, teach and heal the sick, thus ministering to the soul, training the mind and relieving the body; and he says, "So my father hath sent me unto the world, even also have I sent you unto the world." Thus the mission of God's people is manifold in the practice of duty and charity work. Baptist sentiment and efforts have crystalized in the erection of a great Tri-State Sanitarium at Memphis under the fostering care of the Baptists of the states of Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi. Over \$250,000 has been spent in its erection and upkeep, and within its walls hundreds are annually receiving the best medical and surgical treatment and care to be had. Much charity work is being done, thus keeping the poor, as our Lord urgently commanded.

The Baptists of Mississippi have also at Jackson, Miss., a hospital now being enlarged and more fully equipped. This institution is now doing a great work and hopes to do a greater work in the future. Surely this gracious and benevolent work commends itself to all; and your committee most earnestly recommends that we maintain and support it, (1) by our sympathy and prayers, (2) by our influence and patronage, (3) by giving supplies and money as we are called upon for their enlargement and better equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. SIMPSON, Chairman.

The report on Education was read by H. D. Hollis, discussed by him and Eld. G. S. Jenkins. Pending this discussion, adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Prayer by Eld. W. A. Whittle.

### Third Day, Sept. 10th—Morning Session, 9 a. m.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, moderator in the chair, who read a lesson from 2d chapter Ephesians; prayer by Eld. J. T. Cox. Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Took up again the report on Education, which report was discussed by Elds. W. G. Thompson, E. Baldwin, R. J. Gresham, and adopted.

#### Report on Education

Today, as never before, our people are waking up to the need of universal education. Years ago one of our problems was to convince the masses of the need of educating our youth, but now our main problem is to provide the means and place it in reach of all. This problem is also being solved in part from year to year in the efforts of our leading institutions.

Right here in our home county we have Prof. J. E. Brown's male academy for preparing our boys for college, and our county agricultural high school for boys and girls. Both of these schools are in charge of good Baptist brethren. Then we have Blue Mountain Female College, which has been doing its work for more than forty years, and which is doing a great deal for our denomination, although it does not belong to our state convention. Hillman College at Clinton is under the same management as Blue Mountain and is also doing a great good for the young ladies of our state. Mississippi Woman's College at Hattiesburg belongs to our state convention and is rapidly growing under the leadership of one of our best educators, Dr. John L. Johnson. Mississippi College at Clinton has been training a great number of young men every year for more than a half century. It is one of the greatest assets of our denomination. There is where our preachers are educated. Dr. J. W. Provine is rendering a great service as president of that institution.

Let us be careful that we let no opportunity pass to do all we can to push forward this all-important phase of our christian work, and let us pray for divine guidance in every movement in this department of church work.

H. D. HOLLIS, Chairman.

The report on Publications was read by Eld. W. B. May. After being discussed by him, Eld. W. G. Thompson, W. H. McElroy, W. G. Bennett and S. J. Little, this report was adopted.

#### Report on Publications

We are commanded in the word of God to read, and since God commands us to read, nothing will satisfy a hungry mind and thirsty soul like reading. The Bible says, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my pathway." As we read, so are we. Then, what we feed the mind upon, that it grows upon. Many a person has had his life directed for good or bad by what he read.

This is a wide world in which we live, and there is more exhaustive reading today than ever before. Some are reading literature that builds strong and noble character, others are reading literature that tears down and destroys character. In this day and time there are so many things published that are misleading even to the strong, and ruinous to the weaker minds, that the greatest care is necessary to select that which is wholesome. We are exceeding fortunate, however, in having sound literature, which, if read, will strengthen the faith and build up in the knowledge of the truth.

We recommend the following: 1. A more thorough study of the Bible—daily Bible reading, especially by the children of God. 2. To buy and read as many of the books published by our own press as you can. 3. That our people



take, read and study our denominational papers and journals—such as the Baptist Record, Home Field, Foreign Mission Journal, Orphanage Gem. 4. The purchasing and use of song books that are compiled and published by our own denomination, that carry the spirit of the gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. MAY, Chairman.

The report on Laymen's Movement was read by Eld. J. T. Cox, spoken to by him, and adopted.

### Report on Laymen's Movement

This work is an organized effort to enlist and develop the laymen in christian work and christian giving. Brother J. T. Henderson has been and is now the general secretary of this work, with a state secretary in each state, and through these state secretaries, organizing the work in the various associations. Such organization was once maintained in this association, a number of meetings were held and doubtless much good was done. We suggest that the executive board give this matter their attention, and if wise, revive the work by appointing a leader and arranging meetings as they may deem advisable. We ask that pastors use fifth Sundays for the development of this work. J. T. Cox, Chairman.

The report of the Executive Board was made verbally by Eld. W. E. Berry; and the clerk was instructed to have printed in the minutes the report of the chairman of this board, which report follows:

### Report of Executive Board

Your board has supplemented the pastor's salary at several weak churches. Arrangements were made for an associational campaign to last a week, beginning the fifth Sunday in May, but failed because our enlistment secretary failed to reach us. Plans were made for a denominational Sunday school convention, to be held in connection with the associational campaign. An effort was made to group churches, but little accomplished. We think it wise to continue efforts along these lines.

ELD. J. A. AUTRY, Chairman Ex. Board.

### Ordained Ministers

Autry, J. A.	Route 3, Hickory Flat, Miss.
Barnes, W. C.	Hickory Flat, Miss.
Berry, W. E.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Buchanan, J. E.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Carmichael, L. F.	Ripley, Miss.
Caviness, W. P.	Ripley, Miss.
Cox, J. T.	Hickory Flat, Miss.
Davis, H. L.	Route 4, Ripley, Miss.
Degarmo, J. D.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Eubanks, E. J.	Route 2, Walnut, Miss.
Gillelan, M.	Ashland, Miss.
Houston, W. E.	Route 3, Ashland, Miss.
Jones, W. M.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Lowrey, W. T.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Martin, T. T.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
May, W. B.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
Thompson, W. G.	Blue Mountain, Miss.
West, D. C.	Route 2, Ashland, Miss.
Whitten, H. L.	Route 2, Ashland, Miss.
Whittle, W. A.	Blue Mountain, Miss.

The treasurer not being present, his report was requested to be printed by the clerk in the minutes.

## Treasurer's Report

Church	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Ministerial Education	Seminary	Hospital
Bal. last year....	\$ 9 75	\$ 10 75	\$ 97 91	\$ 29 18	\$ 1 00	\$ 6 00	\$ .....	\$ 1 00
Academy.....	50 10	31 78	17 15	5 68	3 50	.....	.....	.....
Ashland.....	20 00	20 00	.....	20 82	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethlehem.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beulah.....	32 16	11 45	9 00	3 95	3 90	2 00	.....	.....
Bluff Springs.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canaan.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Curtis Creek.....	2 70	1 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dumas.....	4 10	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Falkner.....	10 00	7 00	8 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fellowship.....	11 41	5 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flat Rock.....	1 82	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harmony.....	.....	6 25	6 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hickory Flat.....	12 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....
Lebanon.....	3 25	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lowrey Mem.....	235 97	185 54	130 16	100 89	17 51	110 60	30 00	18 00
"    W.M.U.	158 45	52 87	22 20	.....	.....	.....	13 60	.....
"    S.S.	44 39	34 87	6 05	20 52	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macedonia.....	38 55	25 70	25 05	11 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Hebron.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Olive.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Moriah.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 45	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Hope.....	5 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Prospect...	3 60	2 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine Grove.....	4 00	3 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill (B)	2 00	1 41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill (T)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Providence.....	.....	.....	.....	2 51	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ripley.....	106 33	94 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. M. Nance.....	.....	.....	12 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shady Grove....	9 75	7 75	9 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union.....	108 00	95 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Asso. gen'l col.	.....	.....	.....	7 90	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tiplersville.....	.....	2 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. F. Webb.....	3 50	2 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$ 877 33	\$ 623 91	\$ 360 97	\$ 204 40	\$ 25 91	\$ 121 10	\$ 43 60	\$ 19 00
Pd J.B. Lawrence	866 33	600 26	281 47	192 54	25 91	119 10	43 60	19 00
Balance.....	\$ 11 00	\$ 23 65	\$ 79 50	\$ 11 86	\$ 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 00	\$ 00

Re-elected old executive board, except instead of W. J. Jackson, who has moved away, substituted J. A. Griffin.

## Miscellaneous Business

R. J. Gresham was appointed to look after funds to pay way of messenger to S. B. C.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: Resolved—

1. That the hearty thanks of the Tippah Baptist Association are

hereby extended to Mt. Olive church and the people of the community for the splendid manner in which the Association has been entertained. May the blessings of our Heavenly Father be bountifully bestowed upon this church and community.

2. We also extend to our able and impartial moderator, Eld. W. E. Berry, our sincere thanks for his splendid services in presiding over the Association. Also to Brother J. W. Crump, our excellent clerk, for his efficient services in keeping the record; and Brother A. A. Graham for keeping our accounts. Our thanks are also extended to committeemen and others who labored with us to make this meeting of our Association a success.

3. That the clerk be instructed to superintend printing and distribution of the Minutes and to retain \$10 for his services.

The roll of delegates was called and absentees marked.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

Adjourned after a sermon by Eld. G. S. Jenkins, at the close of which joined in singing "How Firm a Foundation" and gave to each the parting hand. The closing prayer was offered by Eld. E. Baldwin.

ELD. W. E. BERRY, Moderator.

J. W. CRUMP, Clerk.

#### Amount Each Church Is Requested to Raise for Missions

Church	State Mission	Home Mission	Foreign Mission
Academy.....	\$ 75 00	\$ 50 00	\$ 75 00
Ashland.....	35 00	25 00	35 00
Bethlehem.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Beulah.....	25 00	25 00	25 00
Bluff Springs.....	15 00	15 00	15 00
Canaan.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Curtis Creek.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Dumas.....	15 00	10 00	15 00
Falkner.....	25 00	20 00	25 00
Fellowship.....	25 00	20 00	25 00
Flat Rock.....	15 00	10 00	15 00
Harmony.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Hickory Flat.....	25 00	20 00	25 00
Lebanon (memb).....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Blue Mountain, Lowrey.....	500 00	400 00	500 00
Macedonia.....	40 00	30 00	40 00
Mt Hebron.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Mt. Olive.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Mt. Moriah.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
New Hope.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
New Prospect.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Pine Grove.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Pleasant Hill (B).....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Pleasant Hill (T).....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Providence.....	100 00	75 00	100 00
Ripley.....	100 00	75 00	100 00
Shady Grove.....	30 00	15 00	30 00
Oakland.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Tiplersville.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Union Hill.....	10 00	10 00	10 00
Union.....	100 00	75 00	100 00
Totals.....	\$1,275 00	\$1,020 00	\$1,275 00

## Constitution

Article 1. This Association shall be called the Tippah Baptist Association.

Article 2. It shall be composed of persons who shall be duly elected delegates by the respective churches belonging to this union. The Moderator, Clerk and Executive Board shall be ex-officio members of the next session.

Article 3. The delegates representing the different churches shall, at the opening of each Association, present letters specifying their appointment and also showing the number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, restored and died during the year, with the whole number in fellowship.

Article 4. Every church belonging to this body shall be entitled to three delegates until they number over fifty members, and then one for every fifty over that number.

Article 5. Churches of this union failing to represent themselves for three successive meetings shall be considered dropped by the Association.

Article 6. New churches may be admitted into this body by signifying their wishes by letter and delegates, provided these be orthodox and are willing to walk in fellowship with us.

Article 7. This Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen at each annual meeting (by private ballot) so soon as letters from the churches are read and members' names enrolled.

Article 8. This body shall have no power to adopt rules that shall infringe upon the independence and rights of churches, yet it may drop churches as may become disorderly either in doctrine or discipline.

Article 9. This body shall have a fund for its expenses, and churches may send up funds for domestic and foreign missions or for the Bible cause. This Association will take charge of such funds and appropriate them as designated by the churches.

Article 10. If any church shall have a difficulty with another church, we advise them to take steps laid down in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, and no difficulty between churches shall be entertained by this body unless such steps have been taken.

Article 11. When churches of this union have gifts which they deem worthy of ordination, we advise them to call on sister churches for two or more ministers to set apart such gifts to the work of the gospel ministry, according to the New Testament, and we advise all presbyteries in the ordination of ministers and deacons, and the constitution of churches, to be governed by the abstract of principles of this Association.

Article 12. This Association shall correspond with sister Associations of the same faith and order.

Article 13. The minutes of this body shall be read, corrected and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session closes. No session shall adjourn, unless in extraordinary cases, until it has finished all its business.

Article 14. The Association shall have an Executive Board, consisting of the Treasurer, Clerk and six other members, who shall be chosen annually.

Article 15. The Constitution may be altered or amended at an annual meeting by a majority of two-thirds of the members present.

## Abstract of Faith

1. We believe in only one living and true God—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost—and these three are one.

2. We believe the Bible to be the word of God, and it is our only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the total depravity of human nature, and that man is dead in trespasses and sin.

4. We believe that salvation is the gift of God by grace, through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that sinners are justified in the sight of God alone by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, which is with them that believe.

5. We believe in the doctrine of election—that God has from the beginning chosen us to salvation through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth.



6. We believe that the Holy Spirit accompanies the word of God in the salvation of man, in answer to prayer of Christians.

7. We believe in the final preservation of the saints, and that all who truly believe shall be eternally saved.

8. We believe in baptism by immersion alone, and that none but true believers are proper subjects for the ordinance, and that none but regularly baptized and ordained ministers have a right to administer it, and that it is a prerequisite to the Lord's Supper, and all who come to the Lord's table must come according to the Lord's word.

9. We believe that a Gospel church is a band of true believers in Christ, who have been regularly baptized upon a profession of their faith in Him, and that there are but two officers in the church—the elder, or pastor, and deacon.

10. We believe it to be the duty of each church to extend and circulate the word of God as far as their means will enable them to do so.

11. We believe in the New Testament doctrine of Missions. That the great commission given to the disciples of Christ before his ascension, as recorded in Matthew 28:18-20, is obligatory upon the disciples of every generation; that the chief business of a church in the world is to give the Gospel to the world; that it is the solemn duty and the exalted privilege of the believer to extend the Master's kingdom by prayer, by personal effort and by the giving of money to the propagation of the Gospel throughout the world.

12. We believe in the resurrection of the bodies of men, and in the future and general judgment, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

### Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened by prayer.

2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the members present by private ballot.

3. The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any member not satisfied with his decision may appeal, provided the appeal be made the same day, but at no subsequent time.

4. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as other members, but shall not vote unless his vote is necessary to decide the question. If he rises to speak he shall call some brother to the chair.

5. All questions brought before the Association shall be introduced by motion. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for discussion the Moderator shall call for a vote, and if a call for a division is made it shall be decided by the members rising.

6. Any member desiring to speak shall rise and address the Moderator. Only one member will be allowed to speak at a time, who shall not be interrupted unless he depart from the subject or make personal reflections.

7. No person shall speak more than once upon any subject until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity, nor more than twice upon any subject without permission.

8. All subjects introduced for discussion shall be disposed of before another shall be offered, unless it be laid over by motion, with the consent of mover and Association.

9. The Association shall in all cases be governed by a majority of the members present, except in the reception of churches, when a unanimous vote shall be required. But in no case shall one member or church prevent the reception of a church without cause shown, which shall be determined by a majority.

10. The names of the members shall be called when the Association shall direct and absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the Moderator.

11. The appellation of "Brother" shall be used in addressing each other and only scripture titles in our minutes.

12. Any member violating these rules shall be subject to reproof by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

13. Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority may deem it necessary.

# Contribution of Churches

Churches	Church Expenses	Pastor's Salary	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Sum. School Expenses	Ministerial Education	Minist. Relief	Other Benevolence	Aggregate
Academy.....	6 50	100 00	18 15	31 78	50 10	15 55	10 00		2 50		224 58
Ashtand.....	107 56	150 00		20 00	20 00	20 82					325 38
Bethlehem.....		125 00		11 45	31 16	3 95			3 90		188 11
Beulah.....	3 65	75 00	9 00		1 80		2 00			4 00	90 80
Bluff Springs.....	8 00										
Canaan.....		50 00	2 00	2 70		1 00				1 00	57 20
Curtis Creek.....	13 00			8 10		15 50					36 00
Dumas.....	1 60	125 00	4 05	7 00	14 00						131 65
Falkner.....	1 00	125 00		5 70	11 41	10 40					153 51
Fellowship.....	1 05	125 00		1 00	1 82						128 87
Flat Rock.....	2 65	175 00			2 05		4 00		15 30		199 00
Harmony.....	37 50	100 00		11 25	11 25	15 00	10 00	2 50		10 00	197 50
Hickory Flat.....	3 00	50 00									53 00
Lebanon.....	644 49	1 231 54	158 41	273 28	428 81	121 41	72 26	159 20	17 51		3 106 91
Lowrey Memorial.....	23 50	52 28	22 55	24 90	37 45	36 50	7 55				204 73
Macedonia.....											
Mc. Hebron.....	55	50 00	2 25	1 25	2 50						56 55
Mt. Olive.....	1 75										1 75
Mt. Moriah.....	1 00	100 00					6 25				107 25
New Hope.....	1 00										1 00
New Prospect.....											
Oakland.....	202 92	65 00	13 00				2 00				342 92
Pine Grove.....	75			2 30	2 00						5 05
Pleasant Hill (B).....	60										60
Pleasant Hill (T).....	28 50	50 00		46 48	69 78	2 51	17 00				214 22
Providence.....	193 10	800 00	46 50	94 75	125 33		50 00	5 00		184 37	1 549 05
Ripley.....	1 50	100 00	9 25	7 00	7 00		8 00				132 75
Shady Grove.....											
Thidersville.....	1 50	400 00	29 50	95 29	108 00	14 58				3 27	652 14
Union.....	70			3 65							4 35
Union Hill.....											
Totals.....	\$ 1 347 87	\$ 4 048 82	\$ 314 66	\$ 647 88	\$ 934 41	\$ 537 22	\$ 189 06	\$ 166 70	\$ 39 21	\$ 202 64	\$ 8 148 48

Pleasant Hill (T)	28 50	50 00	46 48	69 73	2 51	17 00	5 00	184 37	214 22
Providence	153 10	800 00	46 50	94 75	125 33	50 00	5 00	132 75	132 75
Ripley	1 50	100 00	7 00	7 00		8 00			
Shady Grove									
Tiptersville	1 50	400 00	29 50	95 29	108 00	14 58		3 27	652 14
Union	70		3 65						4 35
Union Hill									
Totals	\$ 1,347 87	\$ 4,048 82	\$ 314 06	\$ 647 88	\$ 934 41	\$ 957 22	\$ 189 06	\$ 166 70	\$ 8,148 48

## HISTORICAL TABLE

This body was organized at Ripley, Mississippi, on October 27, 1860, with the following churches:  
Mt. Comfort, Hopewell, Beulah, Canaan, Macedonia, Pleasant Hill (T), Ripley, Union and Zion Hill.

Year	Place	Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer	Chairman Ex. Committee	Preacher
1860	1 Ripley	A. Goodwin	J. E. Rogers	S. R. Spight	W. E. Berry	Ambros Ray
1861	2 Beulah	A. Goodwin	J. E. Rogers	S. R. Spight		A. G. Parrott
1865	3 Canaan	A. Goodwin	J. E. Rogers	S. R. Spight	J. M. McDonald	Ambros Ray
1868	4 Union	M. P. Lowrey	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1867	5 Pleasant Hill (B)	Ambrose Ray	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1868	6 Ripley	M. P. Lowrey	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	J. W. Johnson
1869	7 Pleasant Hill (T)	M. P. Lowrey	J. E. Rogers	H. Garrett	J. M. McDonald	L. P. Cossitt
1870	8 Unity	A. G. Parrott	J. E. Rogers	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	A. G. Parrott
1871	9 Academy	A. G. Parrott	J. E. Rogers	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	M. P. Lowrey
1872	10 Flat Rock	A. G. Parrott	N. S. Watson	J. F. Guyton	J. M. McDonald	J. W. Sanford
1873	11 Harmony	A. G. Parrott	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	Thos Spight	J. W. Skinner
1874	12 Beulah	A. G. Parrott	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	Thos Spight	J. D. Anderson
1875	13 Mt. Moriah	M. P. Lowrey	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	M. P. Lowrey
1876	14 Canaan	M. P. Lowrey	Thos. Spight	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. Ball
1877	15 Chewalla	M. P. Lowrey	O. F. Ray	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. P. Cossitt
1878	16 Fellowship	M. P. Lowrey	O. F. Ray	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. E. Berry
1879	17 New Hope	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	L. Ball	L. T. Ray
1880	18 Union	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	M. P. Long
1881	19 Blue Mountain	L. Ball	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	E. L. Wesson
1882	20 Ashland	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	J. E. Buchanan
1883	21 Ripley	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	J. E. Buchanan
1884	22 Providence	M. P. Lowrey	W. O. Rutherford	J. F. Guyton	W. E. Berry	J. E. Buchanan
1885	23 New Prospect	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	W. G. Thompson
1886	24 Clear Creek	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	J. H. Shackelford
1887	25 Bluff Springs	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	C. J. Frederick	W. E. Berry	G. W. Floyd
1888	26 Canaan	W. G. Thompson	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	W. M. Gadd
1889	27 Beulah	W. G. Thompson	J. W. Crump	W. H. M. Durham	W. E. Berry	M. Gillean
1890	28 Fellowship	L. P. Cossitt	J. W. Crump	J. S. Gillentine	W. E. Berry	W. T. Lowrey
1891	29 Oaklinter	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	W. E. Berry	J. N. McMillin
1892	30 Falkner	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	W. T. Lowrey	St. C. Lawrence
1893	31 Shady Grove	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	St. C. Lawrence	St. C. Lawrence
1894	32 Union	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	J. N. McMillin
1895	33 Ripley	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	J. N. McMillin
1896	34 Blue Mountain	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1897	35 Pleasant Hill (B)	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1898	36 Hickory Flat	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1899	37 Ashland	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1900	38 Beulah	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1901	39 Providence	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1902	40 Mt. Moriah	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1903	41 Pine Grove	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1904	42 Academy	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1905	43 Flat Rock	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1906	44 Canaan	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1907	45 Fellowship	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1908	46 Beulah	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1909	47 New Hope	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1910	48 Shady Grove	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1911	49 Macedonia	J. A. Autry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1912	50 New Prospect	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1913	51 Mt. Hebron	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1914	52 Academy	H. L. Whitten	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence
1915	53 Mt. Olive	W. E. Berry	J. W. Crump	J. N. McMillin	J. F. Guyton	St. C. Lawrence

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# STATISTICAL TABLE

No.	Churches	Delegates	Pastor	Clerk	Postoffice	Increase			Decrease			Total Membership
						Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Letter	Exclusion	Deaths	
1	Academy	W. H. McElroy, T. A. Clark	W. E. Berry	Claud Barkley	Blue Mountain	4	2		3		2	134
2	Ashland S. S.	R. J. Gresham, W. S. Pulliam	J. A. Autry	W. T. Renick	Ashland	6	5	1	2		1	102
3	Bethlehem	Not represented	H. L. Whitten	T. L. Robertson	Myrtle				13	1	2	* 42
4	Beulah	A. L. Collins	H. L. Whitten	W. F. Webb	Ashland		3		1			112
5	Bluff Springs S. S.	W. W. Hudspeth										* 63
6	Canaan	Not represented	W. B. May	S. N. Dickerson	Ashland				1			45
7	Curtis Creek	R. W. Jordan	Jno. Randolph	W. W. Anderson	Dumas	2	2			1		50
8	Dumas	J. J. Smith	E. J. Eubanks	G. Watts	Falkner		5		1		1	169
9	Falkner	None present	E. J. Eubanks	J. W. Medlin	Ripley							160
10	Fellowship	J. W. Medlin, J. N. Medlin, S. J. Little, A. L. Garrison	E. J. Eubanks	L. G. Cossitt	Blue Mountain	10	1	1	1	2		165
11	Flat Rock	S. M. Smith, G. R. Thompson, Jim Henry	E. J. Eubanks	J. N. Wilbanks	Walnut	4	1	1	1	2	4	109
12	Harmony S. S.	C. E. Cossitt, J. P. Brown	A. L. Spencer	J. B. Bright	Hickory Flat				5			84
13	Hickory Flat S. S.	P. C. Gadd, J. T. Cox	J. A. Autry	Pink Mooney	Ripley, R. 7						1	34
14	Lebanon	W. W. Langston, J. W. Killough, Arch Davis	Jno. Randolph									
15	Lowrey Memorial S. S.	W. A. Whittle, W. G. Thompson, Geo. Stanford, J. M. Nance, W. B. May	W. A. Whittle	C. F. Palmer	Blue Mountain	53	48	1	46	1	2	692
16	Macedonia S. S.	Otho Deen, W. G. Bennett	W. E. Berry	J. J. Wesson	Ripley		1				1	116
17	Mt. Hebron	Not represented	B. L. Crawford	W. A. Mullikin	Ripley, R. 2	5		3	2			91
18	Mt. Olive	W. A. Mullikin, Alpha Crawford	G. S. Jenkins	M. R. Stark	Ripley	3	2		2			78
19	Mt. Moriah	E. J. Thurmond, John Drewry, J. W. Lowry	W. B. May	T. W. Tate	Ashland	2	1				1	95
20	New Hope S. S.	N. J. Davis, Sidney Orman	H. L. Whitten	W. O. Burton	Saulsbury, Tenn		5		2			* 88
21	New Prospect S. S.	J. W. Melton, J. G. Moore										* 68
22	Oakland	Not represented										
23	Pine Grove S. S.	J. W. Crump, J. H. Gadd, R. W. Baughman, Luster Shankles, T. M. Gadd, Jr.	J. A. Autry	J. M. Renick	Hickory Flat	6				4	2	198
24	Pleasant Hill (B)	J. H. Needham, J. D. Dickerson, W. A. Simpson, Ratio Duke	W. E. Houston	S. H. Simpson	Ashland	2			2			79
25	Pleasant Hill (T)	I. L. Cox, P. L. Duncan, G. F. Duncan	A. L. Spencer	M. F. Duncan	Walnut		2		1			81
26	Providence S. S.	Noel Harrison, Burkett Hopper	Bob Ray		Tiptersville	5			3		1	154
27	Ripley S. S.	G. S. Jenkins	G. S. Jenkins	H. R. Spight	Ripley	8	11		10	1	4	174
28	Shady Grove S. S.	W. Pierce, R. M. Staten, T. J. Lence	J. A. Autry	W. C. Hobson	Ripley, R. 4	12	2		4		4	144
29	Tiptersville	Not represented	G. S. Jenkins	Hugh Renfro	Walnut	3	6					* 31
30	Union S. S.	H. D. Hollis, J. F. Ray	H. L. Davis	J. M. Morgan	Ripley R. 3							2 195
31	Union Hill	J. H. Davis, B. E. Taylor, W. H. Robins										45
Totals						125	96	8	101	11	31	3780

\*Number reported last year.

S. S. Churches marked thus have a Sunday School.